MONTANA WOLF PROGRAM - WEEKLY REPORT

TO: Interested Persons

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SUBJECT: Wolf Program Activities and Related Information

WEEK OF: February 7, 2015 – February 27, 2015

Contributors to the Montana Wolf Weekly are Montana Fish, Wildlife & Parks (FWP), Universities, USDA Wildlife Services (WS), the National Park Service (NPS; Glacier NP; Yellowstone National Park will be reported in the Wyoming Wolf Weekly), US Forest Service, Confederated Salish and Kootenai Tribes, and the Blackfeet Nation.

PROGRAM UPDATES: Weekly reports for 2015 will be shown in an additive, running tally fashion.

Montana Annual Wolf Report can be found on the FWP website:

http://fwp.mt.gov/fishAndWildlife/management/wolf/

To learn more about Montana's wolf population, the Montana program, and to help FWP monitor wolves by reporting wolf sign, visit the FWP website.

To anonymously report a dead or injured wolf or suspected illegal activity, call: 1-800-TIP-MONT or 1-800-847-6668

To request an investigation of injured or dead livestock, call USDA Wildlife Services directly in western Montana / Helena area at 406-458-0106 or in eastern Montana at the statewide office at 406-657-6464. Or, call your nearest FWP representative to have your call referred to Wildlife Services.

If you have a confirmed or probable livestock death loss due to wolves, USDA Wildlife Services will supply you with a copy of the Loss Reimbursement Application form. For more information, see http://liv.mt.gov/default.mcpx or, contact the Livestock Loss Reduction and Mitigation Program Coordinator, George Edwards at the Montana Department of Livestock at 406-444-5609.

WOLF-LIVESTOCK CONFLICTS – 2015																			
Date*	General Area (County)	Pack Name	Livestock Type, #, and Outcome Injured livestock (i), Probable kills (p), Confirmed kills (c)																
			Cattle			Sheep			Goat/ Llama			Horse			s (c) Dog			Land Type	Authorized Control Action
			i	р	С	i	р	С			С	i	р	С	i	С	р	, ,	
1/4/2015	S Fork Dearborn River (Lewis & Clark)	Flesher Pass			1													Private	Lethal removal by WS (female); collared male removed by trapper harvest
1/12/2015	Grant (Beaverhead)	Bloody Dick			1													Private	Lethal removal by WS (up to 2 wolves)
2/7/2015	North of Lake Como (Ravalli)	Trapper Peak			1													Private	
2/13/2015	Grant (Beaverhead)	Bloody Dick			3													Private	Lethal removal by WS
2/16/2015	Grant (Beaverhead)	Bloody Dick			1													Private	Lethal removal by WS
2015 Running Total*			0	0	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		

^{*}There is often a lag time between activities and reporting due to ongoing investigations. Running tallies are estimates based on known data at the time of 'wolf weekly' publication and may not match final annual report numbers.

WOLF CAPTURE, COLLARING, REMOVAL ACTIVITIES – 2015											
Date [*]		Pack Name	Ca	pture/Collar	ing	Lethal F	Removal		Control Action Ongoing/ Completed	Comments	
	General Area (County)		FWP	WS	Other - Tribal/ Incidental	WS	Landowner	Other Mortalities (by cause)			
1/4/2015	S Fork Dearborn River (Lewis & Clark)	Flesher Pass				1			Ongoing		
1/9/2015	Twelvemile Creek (Mineral)	Mineral Mtn						1		Shot illegally - under investigation	
1/29/2015	West Boulder (Park)	Baker Mtn	1								
1/30/2015	South of Roscoe (Carbon)	Rosebud	1								
2/4/2015	Paradise Valley (Park)	Slip n Slide	1								
2015 Running Total [*]			3	0	0	1	0	1			

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